

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

At 3:40 p.m. the House recognized the anniversary of the July 24, 1998 tragedy in which Officer Jacob J. Chestnut and Detective John M. Gibson of the United States Capitol Police were killed in the line of duty defending the Capitol against an intruder armed with a gun.

Pursuant to Article I, Section 5, Clause 2 of the United States Constitution, Representative James A. Traficant, Jr., was expelled from the House of Representatives.

The House passed H.R. 5120, Treasury and Postal Operations Appropriations

The House passed H.R. 4965, Partial-Birth Abortion Ban.

The House passed H.R. 4628, Intelligence Authorization Act.

House Committees ordered reported 129 sundry measures.

Senate agreed to the Conference Report on H.R. 4775, 2002 Supplemental Appropriations Act for Further Recovery From and Response to Terrorist Attacks on the United States, clearing the measure for the President.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Thirteen bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2777–2789. **Page S7308**

Measures Reported:

S. 2778, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003. (S. Rept. No. 107–218)

S. 2779, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003. (S. Rept. No. 107–219)

S. 2784, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003. (S. Rept. No. 107–220)

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Measures Passed:

Yankton Sioux Tribe and Santee Sioux Tribe Equitable Compensation Act: Senate passed S. 434, to provide equitable compensation to the Yankton Sioux Tribe of South Dakota and the Santee Sioux

Tribe of Nebraska for the loss of value of certain lands, after agreeing to committee amendments.

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Vicksburg National Military Park Boundary Modification Act: Senate passed S. 1175, to modify the boundary of Vicksburg National Military Park to include the property known as Pemberton's Headquarters, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Honoring Lindy Boggs: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 439, honoring Corinne "Lindy" Claiborne Boggs on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Congressional Women's Caucus.

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Greater Access to Affordable Pharmaceuticals Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 812, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide greater access to affordable pharmaceuticals, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Pending:

Reid (for Dorgan) Amendment No. 4299, to permit commercial importation of prescription drugs from Canada.

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Rockefeller Amendment No. 4316 (to Amendment No. 4299), to provide temporary State fiscal relief.

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Gramm point of order that the emergency designation in Section C of Rockefeller Amendment No. 4316 (to Amendment No. 4299), listed above, violates section 205 of H. Con. Res. 290, 2001 Congressional Budget Resolution.

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Reid motion to waive section 205 of H. Con. Res. 290, 2001 Congressional Budget Resolution, with respect to the emergency designation in Section C of Rockefeller Amendment No. 4316 (to Amendment No. 4299), listed above.

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 51 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 189), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to the motion to waive the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to Hagel Amendment No. 4315 (to Amendment No. 4299, as amended), to provide Medicare beneficiaries with a drug discount card that ensures access to affordable outpatient prescription drugs. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 for spending in excess of allocation, was sustained, and the amendment thus fell.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on Rockefeller Amendment No. 4316 (to Amendment No. 4299), listed above and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a cloture vote will occur on Friday, July 26, 2002.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 10:30 a.m., on Thursday, July 25, 2002, with 1 hour of debate in relation to the motion to waive section 205 of H. Con. Res. 290, 2001 Congressional Budget Resolution, with respect to the emergency designation in Section C of Rockefeller Amendment No. 4316 (to Amendment No. 4299), listed above; to be followed by a vote on the motion to waive.

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Supplemental Appropriations Conference Report: By 92 yeas to 7 nays (Vote No. 188), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4775, making supplemental appropriations for further recovery from and response to terrorist attacks on the United States for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, clearing the measure for the President.

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Conferring Honorary Citizenship: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House, amendment to the preamble, and the amendment to the title to S.J. Res. 13, conferring honorary citizenship of the United States posthumously on Marie Joseph Paul Yves Roche Gilbert du Motier, the Marquis de Lafayette.

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Defense and Legislative Branch Appropriations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Majority Leader, following consultation with the Republican Leader, may proceed to the consideration of H.R. 5121, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003; that debate on the bill and committee amendment be limited to 30 minutes; that immediately after the bill is reported, the text of the Senate committee reported bill, S. 2720, be inserted in the appropriate place in the House bill; that certain first degree amendments be proposed thereto, under a time limitation, with certain exceptions; that upon disposition of these amendments; the bill be read a third time, and the Senate vote on passage of the bill, as amended; that upon passage, Senate insist on its amendment, request a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate, without further intervening action or debate; provided further that the Senate proceed to consideration of H.R. 5010, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003, no later than Wednesday, July 31, 2002.

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Appointment:

Congressional Hunger Fellows Program: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 107–171, announced the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the Board of Trustees of the Congressional Hunger Fellows Program: Senator Harkin and Representative Clayton.

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Executive Session: Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Julia Smith Gibbons, of Tennessee, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit.

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Nomination—Cloture Motion Filed: A motion was entered to close debate on the nomination of Julia Smith Gibbons, of Tennessee, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a cloture vote on the nomination will occur on Friday, July 26, 2002.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Joaquin F. Blaya, of Florida, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2002.

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Peggy Goldwater-Clay, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation for a term expiring June 5, 2006. (Reappointment)

Juanita Alicia Vasquez-Gardner, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation for a term expiring December 10, 2003.

Robert Maynard Grubbs, of Michigan, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Michigan for the term of four years.

Johnny Mack Brown, of South Carolina, to be United States Marshal for the District of South Carolina for the term of four years.

Denny Wade King, of Tennessee, to be United States Marshal for the Middle District of Tennessee for the term of four years.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—189) Pages S7282, S7283

Adjournment: Senate met at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 7:33 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, July 25, 2002.

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING—ENERGY AND WATER APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill (S. 2784) making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003.

BUSINESS MEETING—TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003.

HUD MANAGEMENT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation held oversight hearings to examine management challenges of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), focusing on staffing, acquisition management, information systems, assessing HUD's management environment, and formulating viable strategies and plans to address the major management challenges, receiving testimony from Alphonso Jackson, Chief Operating Officer/Deputy Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; Stanley J. Czerwinski, Director, Physical Infrastructure, General Accounting Office; and Carolyn Federoff, American Federation of Government Employees Council of HUD Locals, Boston, Massachusetts.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

WOMEN IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space concluded hearings to examine barriers to the involvement and advancement of women in math, science and technology, including under representation of women at the college level and above, and what can be done to lower these barriers and encourage more girls and women in the area science, after receiving testimony from Senator Boxer; Kristina M. Johnson, Duke University Pratt School of Engineering, Durham, North Carolina; Kay Koplovitz, Koplovitz and Company, New York, New York; Nancy Stueber, Oregon Museum of Science and Industry, Portland; and Ana Maria Boitel, Women in Technology, Alexandria, Virginia.

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings to examine issues surrounding the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, focusing on electric and natural gas infrastructure generation and transmission and the demand the power in the future, after receiving testimony from Pat Wood III, Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy; Stephen Ward, Maine Public Advocate, Augusta, on behalf of the National Association of State Utility Consumer Advocates; M. Carol Coale, Prudential Financial, Houston, Texas; Lawrence J. Makovich, Cambridge Energy Research